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Examiner:

Applicants draw the Examiner's attention to the Information Disclosure Statement, form 1449, and corresponding postcard that was signed and dated by Examiner Webb as received on February 26, 2002, true copies of which are transmitted herewith. Whereas Applicants have not received an initialed copy thereof, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to return an initialed copy of the form 1449 reflecting consideration of the disclosed references. Additionally, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to forward a copy of the same to the publication branch, or take any other necessary steps, so that the considered documents will be listed on the face of the issued patent.

Should the Examiner require an additional copy of any of the cited documents, or should any other issues remain, the undersigned may be reached at 770-587-8626 (voice) or 770-587-7324 (fax).

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97 et seq., Applicants, through and by their attorneys, hereby wish to direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed on the modified PTO 1449 Form and the copies of those documents presented herewith for the Examiner's review and convenience.

By inclusion of any given document in this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants in no way admit that such document is effective as prior art against the above-identified application under either 35 U.S.C. 102 or 35 U.S.C. 103.

Additionally, submission of any document is not to be taken as an admission of the materiality of the document to the prosecution of the present application.

The Examiner is requested to review each cited document and personally determine its prior art status.

Applicants recommend that the Examiner conduct an independent search for any and all available material prior art and independently review the results of such search and the documents cited within this Statement.

Applicants request the Examiner, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, to indicate and make of record receipt and review of all of these documents by initialing the appropriate box in the accompanying PTO-1449. Applicants request that the undersigned receive a copy of the initialed PTO-1449.

If the Examiner refuses to consider any or all of the herein submitted materials because it is the Examiner's opinion that this Information Disclosure Statement is not in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner notify the undersigned, in writing, as to the basis of such opinion.

Please charge any prosecutorial fees which are due to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

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## List of Patents and Publications for Information Disclosure Statement

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